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COMMENT ON NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Sir:

The outstanding Notice of Allowability states that “The prior art fails to teach a ‘handheld gun’ peripheral...”, thereby possibly suggesting that Applicant’s invention is somehow limited to a “handheld gun” shape.

However, the “shape” of applicant’s controller has never been an issue with respect to patentability, and in fact, Applicant’s independent claims as originally filed and as currently allowed, only say that the controller has a shape “adapted to be handled by a user of a video game”. It is only in dependent claims 2 and 18 that Applicant recites that the controller has a shape “substantially similar to a firearm”.

Respectfully submitted,

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION
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